

LINDBLOM et al  
Serial No. 09/688,152

Atty Dkt: 2380-154  
Art Unit: 2661

### **REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Reexamination of the captioned application is respectfully requested.

#### **A. SUMMARY OF THIS AMENDMENT**

By the current amendment, Applicants basically:

1. Editorially amend the specification.
2. Cancel claims 1, 11, and 16 without prejudice or disclaimer.
3. Rewrite allowable claim 3 as an independent claim.
4. Rewrite allowable claim 4 as an independent claim, and amend claims 2, 5, 8, and 10 to be dependent thereon.
5. Rewrite allowable claim 14 as an independent claim, and amend claims 12 and 15 to be dependent thereon.
6. Rewrite allowable claim 18 as an independent claim.
7. Rewrite allowable claim 19 as an independent claim, and amend claims 17, 20, 23, and 25 to be dependent thereon.

#### **B. PATENTABILITY OF THE CLAIMS**

In view of the foregoing and other considerations, all claims are deemed in condition for allowance. A formal indication of allowability is earnestly solicited.

#### **C. PATENTABILITY OF THE CLAIMS**

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the undersigned's deposit account #14-1140 in whatever amount is necessary for entry of these papers and the continued pendency of the captioned application, including but not limited to any additional claim fees.

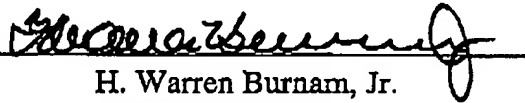
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Should the Examiner feel that an interview with the undersigned would facilitate allowance of this application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,  
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